

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO



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New Presiding Judge and Assistant Presiding Judge for 2021

The Judges of Yolo Superior Court have elected Judge Daniel P. Maguire to serve as Presiding Judge and Judge David W. Reed as Assistant Presiding Judge for 2021-22. Their terms will begin January 1, 2021.

The Presiding Judge is responsible for the administration of the court in addition to his regular judicial duties in the courtroom. With the assistance of the Court Executive Officer, the Presiding Judge, or “PJ,” leads the court, establishes policies, allocates resources to promote public access to justice and promotes efficiency in court operations and service to the public.

Following his election to the position of Presiding Judge, Judge Maguire said, “Judge McAdam, as PJ, has led the court through some rough waters, especially this year. His leadership and guidance during COVID-19 was essential for the court to remain open and operating during these difficult and complex times. The upcoming year will also be full of change and challenges for the court, and we look forward to continuing to provide safe and efficient access to justice.”

Judge Maguire was appointed by Governor Schwarzenegger to the Yolo Superior Court bench in 2010. He received his Juris Doctor degree from Harvard Law School in 1992 and was a private practice attorney as well as a Deputy Legal Affairs Secretary under Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger until his appointment to the bench. Judge Maguire has had criminal, probate and civil assignments during his tenure, and currently presides in the family law department. He will rotate to a juvenile court assignment starting in 2021.

Judge David W. Reed started his career with the court as a court referee, presiding over traffic court, small claims and UD cases prior to his appointment to the bench in 2009 by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger. He received his law degree in 1983 from the University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law in Sacramento. Prior to his work at court, Judge Reed was a self-employed lawyer in Yolo County for 23 years, with a general law practice with an emphasis on criminal law. His court assignments have included criminal, family, civil and probate. Judge Reed is currently assigned to the criminal calendar.